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RESPONSE TO PLACE APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR APPEAL

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Sir:

This paper is a response amending the claims to clarify the issues and to place the application in condition for appeal. Since a Final Rejection was mailed April 16, 2008, a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time is enclosed, thereby extending the deadline by which to respond to Monday, August 18, 2008 since August 16, 2008 falls on a Saturday and August 17, 2008 falls on a Sunday.

The Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2. To place application in condition for appeal, this response only fixes (1) the claim objections, (2) the issue of antecedent basis and (3) the issue with respect to claims being dependent on cancelled claims. It is respectfully requested that the amendments to the claims be entered for appeal.

Remarks begin on page 8.